

# GSQ e-NEWS

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- Tuesday • 10am - 2pm
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- Saturday • 12noon - 4pm
- Sunday • Interest Groups

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### From the President

September 2021

GSQ's Management Committee was very sorry to cancel the Open Day planned for Saturday, 28 August. This was, of course, to be part of our celebration of 2021's National Family History Month. It was felt, however, that the decision was very necessary, considering the imminent threat of the spread of COVID from Northern New South Wales to South East Queensland.

The Annual General Meeting is planned for 10.00am on Saturday, 25 September 2021 at our Resource Centre, 25 Stackpole Street, Wishart. **Please be aware that the venue for the meeting may need to be moved if COVID rules change between now and 25 September.**

[Nomination](#) and [Proxy](#) Forms are available on the website link and also may be obtained from Secretary, Claire Rodwell. Completed and signed Nomination Forms must be returned to the Secretary by **2.00pm on Friday, 10 September, 2021**. While it would be preferred that Proxy Forms are given to the Secretary prior to 25 September, to aid with organisation, our Constitution dictates that they must be provided to the Secretary prior to the commencement of the meeting.

GSQ has a new SIG, the Family History Technology SIG. It has been formed by combining the Family Treemaker and Legacy SIGs and will include the opportunity to explore other technologies. (Further information about the new SIG is available in this edition of eNews.) The convenor of the new SIG will be Graeme Moulton, with the first meeting planned for 10.00am – 12.00 Noon on Sunday, 12 September – the new SIG is to take over the dates/times originally allocated for Family Treemaker on the calendar.

After much thought GSQ's North Brisbane Branch has announced it will close on 31 March 2022. I would like to personally thank Margaret Holding who has been a stalwart of North Brisbane for many, many years. Margaret's work has enabled the branch to continue until this time.

Helen Veivers, President



**LIBRARY VERSION OF MY HERITAGE** now available on GSQ Computers and.... it is available for you to use at Home through MY GSQ.

This is just another saving for GSQ Members – yet another reason to be a member of GSQ!



### Information from Management Committee Meeting August 2021

- Property Sub Committee is meeting regularly to discuss property options;
- Refer a Friend is continuing until 15 September;
- Management Committee is working with students from Melbourne University on developing a Marketing Strategy for GSQ;
- Participation in LDS Family History Day at Eight Mile Plains on Saturday, 11 September, 11.00am – 3.00pm.

#### July 2021 Year to Date:

Revenue	\$ 10,388
Expenditure	\$ 7,970
Current Assets	\$ 87,460
Fixed Assets	\$234,669
Total Assets	\$322,129
Liabilities	\$ 19,526

### Genealogical Society of Queensland Annual General Meeting (AGM)

Date and Time: 10.00am on Saturday 25 September, 2021

Place: 25 Stackpole Street, Wishart 4122

Nominations are hereby called for the positions of:

- President
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Up to 7 Management Committee members

Nomination Forms are available from Secretary Claire Rodwell ([secretary@gsq.org.au](mailto:secretary@gsq.org.au)). Completed Nomination Forms, signed by both the Candidate and the member nominating him/her, are to reach Secretary, Claire Rodwell, **no later than 2.00pm on Friday, 10 September 2021.**

A list of the Candidate's names with Nominators will be on display at GSQ and on the Website after Friday, 10 September, 2021.

In accordance with GSQ's current Constitution, Proxy Votes will be available for those unable to attend the meeting in person. All Proxies must be handed to the Secretary prior to the commencement of the meeting at 10.00am.

Claire Rodwell  
Secretary, GSQ Inc

### Finding Family in England & Wales Records Saturday 23 October 2021

Remember the early bird price for the **Finding Family in England & Wales Records seminar** ends on 30 September 2021. See flyer in this eNews edition.

[BOOK HERE](#)





We're very excited to be holding our first-ever Refer-A-Friend Membership Drive.

And what's even more exciting is that we have new members joining GSQ through the program already!

So please, if you have family, friends, neighbours (or anyone else you can think of) who might like to join GSQ, please have a chat to them about our wonderful Society and send them this link: <https://tinyurl.com/x8cr2tcs> to the brochure.

The goal is for every member to refer a friend to GSQ by 15th September 2021.

The success of this program is up to YOU!

And when one of your contacts joins GSQ, you get special, exclusive access to the resource centre and go into the draw to win a great prize.



### Queensland Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages

The Queensland Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages has a quarterly bulletin that you can stay up to date on all the latest news, including hints and tips!. [Subscribe here](#) for the bulletin.

This month has a great article by Stephanie Ryan titled *Family History: the name game* - an excellent read. You can access the Winter edition of the Bulletin [HERE](#).

If you're not already, follow Qld BDM on [Facebook](#) for #RBDMHowToFiles — their recent family history research service tips are worth a look.



September's Bookshop specials will be Leonie Ryder's books *Aviation Psychologist, Artist & Food Lover* and *My name should be Melano*.

*Aviation Psychologist, Artist & Food Lover*: "Leonie Ryder holds Doctorates in Aviation Psychology and in Food History and is an experienced artist. After many years working with the Royal Australian Air Force, she pursued her long-term interest in gastronomy and wrote *Ginger in Australian Food and Medicine* before turning to the history of her family and writing *My Name Should Be Melano: The Story of My Parish, Burge, Rider and Melano Ancestors*. Now she tells her own story." **Special price \$28.00**

*My name should be Melano*: "This book is the outcome of Leonie's quest to find out why her surname is not Melano, the surname with which her father was born. The book also traces the ancestors of all four of Leonie's grandparents – the Melano, Rider, Burge and Parish families." **Special price \$35**



### Women of Stephens Local History Conference Saturday 16 October 2021

Women have long been underrepresented in the recording of history globally and locally. Annerley Stephens History Group seeks to tell the stories of some of the women of the inner Southside suburbs in their fourth local history conference.

All papers will be published in 2022 in a book, *Women of Stephens and Surrounds*.

More information and to book see [HERE](#).



## GSQ Notices

**Did you know that GSQ has an active & informative Facebook page?**



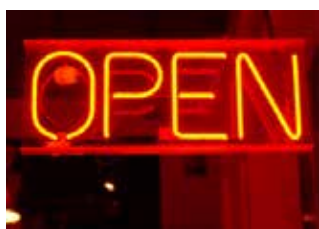
Hopefully after our recent GSQ Zoom meetings you are now following our Facebook Page more regularly. It is a public page, so you don't even have to be logged in to view it - it's as easy as typing GSQ Facebook into Google! If you are on GSQ's Home Page, then there is a Facebook link in each of the bottom pages in that site, click the logo and it will take you to the page. How easy is that? Once there, if you like to log in, then 'Follow' our GSQ Facebook Page - the more you click on the Page and read our news when logged in, then the more it will come up in your feed. That is dictated by Facebook algorithms. Remember, within Facebook itself, our full name is Genealogical Society of Queensland - GSQ.

The GSQ Facebook Co-ordinators post Events and within that notice there is a 'Find Tickets' link which takes you direct to the Event booking page on GSQ's website. As well as our presentations and seminars we also have links to various genealogy and family history articles/sites as they are published. Highlight some of the benefits of joining GSQ or a particular set of records. We also highlight, there is a Twitter account broadcasting our events regularly.



Are you following our GSQ Blogs? They are published each week on our GSQ webpage <https://gsq-blog.gsq.org.au/> and also on our GSQ Public Facebook page. You don't have to be a member or sign on to view our public Facebook page, and our bloggers always turn up with interesting and informative short stories with July being no exception.

We started off August with Shauna Hicks giving us some hints in her blog 'What Discovery means to me' when Shauna gave us a few examples from her own research to whet our appetites for Discovery. One of our new guest bloggers, Bev Murray then wrote an article which probably relates to a few of us 'My Ancestor's folklores - True or False', I'm sure it started many of us thinking. The next issue on 16 August, past Joan Reese Award winner, Lyn Irvine, wrote about an early Warwick pioneer, a member of her husband's family titled: *Willie Watt... "Our Father"*. He was a remarkable man whom his children obviously respected. Our next blog was written by Bobbie Edes, continuing on with her series about the lives of the Killyleagh Irvine siblings, this time it covered Andrew Gilmore Irvine the twin brother of Bobbie's great-grandfather. Robyn Dean ended off the month with a story about her husband's line, another early pioneering family 'The Bellamys: Pioneers of West Pennant Hills' who were certainly a family determined to make good their new life in the colony.



### Opening Hours at GSQ

GSQ is open for research on the following days and for the times listed. At this stage we're required to adhere to COVID 19 Guidelines, so the number of people able to attend is still limited.

At the moment there are only 11 computers available but you may bring your own laptop/iPad and log into GSQ's WiFi and access the databses.

Please book your spot with Secretary, Claire Rodwell by emailing [secretary@gsq.org.au](mailto:secretary@gsq.org.au).

Tuesday	10.00am – 2.00pm
Thursday	10.00am – 2.00pm
Friday	10.00am – 2.00pm
Saturday	12.00pm – 4.00pm





## Webinars



### Family History Down Under ONLINE

On demand webinars available now:

- *Googling your ancestors with Helen Smith* - AU\$19. Learn how to use the power of Google to enhance your research and seek out the story of your ancestors.
- *Writing intriguing family histories with Carol Baxter* - AU\$39. Learn how to turn your family history research into an exciting narrative that keeps your readers hooked.
- *Video magic with Susie Zada* - FREE. How to produce a promotional video using PowerPoint for your society, organisation - or a hundred other uses.
- *Deciphering & Digitising Old Photos with Maureen Taylor* - AU\$39. Learn how to organise, decipher, and preserve your old photos without being overwhelmed.
- *Finding the Irish with Fiona Fitzsimons & Brian Donovan* - AU\$49. Learn how to find Irish women, as well as the poor, and clues surrounding death to further your Irish family history.

For more information: go to <https://www.fhdu.online/>

### Upcoming FREE Heritage Webinars History Week Sept 4 - 9 Sep 2021

**Webinar:** *Research using the Devonshire Street Cemetery Re-internment Records.* [Join Australian History Research on Facebook](#) to see webinar on 4 September @ 1.30pm (NSW time)

For HistoryWeek 2021, please join the Australian History Research with Historian, Cathy Dunn, for a special online webinar!

Discover how to research the 1901 re-interments of Devonshire Street Cemetery Sydney.

**Webinar:** *From the Ground Up - visit to Racecourse Cemetery Ulladulla,* Sunday September 5 @ 10:AM (NSW time)

Public historian Cathy Dunn was giving a talk and tour on the history of this burial ground. But due to regional NSW in lockdown – Cathy will be now presenting a webinar of the early burial ground with the last known burial in 1898. [Join the webinar on Facebook here.](#)



### Legacy Family Tree Webinars

#### FREE Family History Webinars from Legacy Family Tree

**What is the cost:** There is no charge to register and view the live webinar. **However**, the recording is available to view for the next 7 days - for **free!** Watch it as many times as you would like, pausing and taking notes, during the free viewing period. If you cannot make the live event, downloads of the recording are just \$9.95 each or yearly memberships give you access to everything.

#### Webtember: All Genealogy. All September Long.

Take your genealogy skills to the next level with this FREE online genealogy conference, held each Friday in September: 30 live and pre-recorded webinars in all. Join live for all four Fridays or just one, and if you can't, we've got you covered! Enjoy the recordings at your convenience — they'll be free to view through the end of the month. Registration, replays, and pre-recorded classes available at [www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com/Webtember](http://www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com/Webtember)

#### Some other September offerings:

- *September 8 - Tracing Your 20th Century English Ancestors* by Paul Milner
- *September 14 - Recent updates to MyHeritage's historical record search engine* by Mike Mansfield, MyHeritage Webinar
- *September 17 - A Toboggan Ride Through Canadian Records, eh!* by Lianne Kruger
- *September 22 - Cluster Research: Using Groups of People to Find Your People* by Robyn Smith

The Legacy Webinar website with more information is available [HERE](#).

#### Rootstech 2021 videos

Rootstech 2021 has these videos about your photos available to view.

[Managing Scanned and Digital Photos](#)

[Restoring Your Family Photos](#)

[Discover Your Ancestors by Exploring Historical Images](#)

[Unlocking the Shoebox, Part 1 of 3: Digitizing Your Family Photos](#)

***Subject to the restrictions regarding the Covid-19 situation, some interest groups will be holding their meetings at GSQ. There is a limit of 20 people attending the groups. Some groups are conducting virtual meetings through the use of the Zoom platform.***

## Family History Technology Group

The Family Tree Maker SIG and Legacy SIG have been amalgamated into one Special Interest Group. That SIG will be known as "Family History Technology Special Interest Group." The Family History Technology Special Interest Group will meet on the 2nd Sunday of its meeting on the second Sunday on every alternate month. **The first meeting will be 12 September 2021 at 10:00 am until 12:pm at Wishart** until further notice. It will also be subject to COVID-19 Government restrictions.

This new SIG gives us the opportunity to look at many other technologies that may help us to preserve and publish our family history data.

These may include but not limited to:

- file management and storage
- e-publishing
- setting up a Family History website.



Should you have any questions or concerns please email me at [Graeme.moulton@outlook.com](mailto:Graeme.moulton@outlook.com) or mob 0400 401 875.

## English/Irish Interest Group

Top of the morning Irish/English Group our NEXT meeting is on 3 October, so put it in the calendar. Feel welcome to come and join us, the more the merrier. RSVP to Lorraine Adey at [ladey200@gmail.com](mailto:ladey200@gmail.com) or just roll in. Please bring a visitor along!

We will continue looking at our Irish ancestors, name origins and the influence of English rule up to World War 1. Then in our October shindy we will develop on the Irish dilemma and the impact on your ancestors. Please bring along your questions and any tree dilemmas needing addressed and we will put it to the group!

Meetings for 2021 will be on:

**Sunday 3 October 2021**

Sunday 5 December 2021

The GSQ Research Centre will open at 9.30am and the meeting will start at 10.30am. Following the meeting the library will remain open until 2 o'clock for individual research. Bring a mug (tea 50cents) and a gold coin contribution to cover costs.

Visitors are most welcome to attend.

## Convict Connections Group

Convict Connections – As we were in lockdown, unfortunately the August trip to the State Library did not eventuate. We will try again on October 10th. Please meet at the Library Café between 10am and 10:30am. The Library is easily accessed by public transport. For those who have an interest in the first settlement of Norfolk Island, we have purchased for GSQ the latest Cathy Dunn booklets. Our lending library contains a good variety of resource books. A list is available at <http://www.convictconnections.org.au/main/lending-library/>.

If you cannot attend our meetings and would like to borrow books, please email [convictconnections@yahoo.com.au](mailto:convictconnections@yahoo.com.au) and we will make further arrangements.

## German Interest Group

At our next meeting on the **26th September 2021** we will have our usual brief meeting and also be investigating the donation of papers made to the society in relation to J C Heussler. There also will be time to answer any questions re your research

Lesley Roebig, Convenor

The German Group

## SIG Notices

## Writing Group

The Writing Group had another interesting meeting in August when our discussion focussed on how to integrate articles and other information found in newspapers into our written family stories. Several members had written short stories of around 300 words with the following issues in mind: whether to quote from the article or include an extract of all or part of the newspaper article; how we would acknowledge the source of the article; and whether we needed to consider the point of view of the author. In most cases, our stories included extracts or transcriptions rather than the whole article. Including an extensive newspaper article could be a distraction and impair the narrative. It was important though to acknowledge the source of any information found in newspapers, even if it wasn't included in full. This exercise typifies what we do at the Writing Group to help members with their writing and provide a forum for discussion on a wide range of topics linked with writing.

Our next meeting is scheduled for October. More information will be provided closer to the date.

Contact Pauline at [writing@gsq.org.au](mailto:writing@gsq.org.au) if you have any questions.

## Military Group

The next meeting of the Military Interest Group will take place on **Sunday the 12 September 2021 at 12:30 pm**. The meeting is subject to no Coronavirus changes and will follow the new Faamily History Technology group meeting. A projector & screen will be in use for AWM, NAA, DVA & CWGC research.

The Military Interest Group is a networking group that can help members discover information about military records. The group is interested in all conflicts in all eras. It does not matter if it is Army, Navy or Air Force. If you have a military ancestor and you have some questions regarding the conflict or units they may have served in or questions about the person themselves, come along and ask your question of like-minded researchers.

Les McFadzen [Convenor Military Interest Group] contact Les on [militarygroup@gsq.org.au](mailto:militarygroup@gsq.org.au)

## DNA Interest Group

My apologies for distributing an expired link for this meeting. At our 22 August meeting we had 30 attending and we welcomed two new members, Tanya Steiner & Linda Knowles. Initially Ailsa did the DNA Update news then followed with Judy and Greg each doing presentations. Judy's was titled 'A birthday surprise for my brother' where she demonstrated using an A3 plastic folder with plastic sleeves to include an A3 birthday card and her brother's DNA Painted chromosomes, pedigree chart and a pdf of the family stories that have been published on her blog. Greg's presentation was demonstrating how he uses part of a match's web address to insert into an excel sheet and then importing into his FTM program's in a new report he has developed which allocates colours to each family line of any match. All talk pdfs will be available on our closed Facebook page as well as distributed via email.

Our next SIG meeting will be on Sunday 19 September at 9:30am via Zoom. If you're not on our mailing list and would like to attend this meeting please email [dna@gsq.org.au](mailto:dna@gsq.org.au) and request the invitation link which usually goes out a few days before the meeting. The next GSQ DNA Clinic following that will take place on 24 November, announcements about this will be made in October & November DNA Meetings & eNews.

Finally, during the announcements Bobbie Edes has let us know that no-one has come forward to date to fill the role of DNA SIG Secretary after the end of this year. A Guideline is available and if you feel you may be able to do a portion of this role then please contact Bobbie to discuss. There are some minor duties that could be separated for that. This position is vital to assist Helen & our hardworking DNA SIG Admin Team in keeping the DNA SIG one of the best DNA Groups around, especially as Helen announced she would be out of action for the next couple of months with health issues.

## Monday Morning Natters

**Monday Morning Natters September 6** we will have a Zoom Meeting 10am to 12noon

*Topic for September: Let's look at occupations. What was the most interesting job your ancestor had?*

## Scandinavian Interest Group

Our next meeting is **Sunday 19 September** at GSQ, but I have some news for you.

If you would not like to receive any more emails of interest for Scandinavian Group of GSQ, please reply with the title "Unsubscribe Scandinavian Group". Steinar can be contacted on [scangroup@gsq.org.au](mailto:scangroup@gsq.org.au)

## Scottish Interest Group

The next meeting will be on **Sunday 5 September** at GSQ.

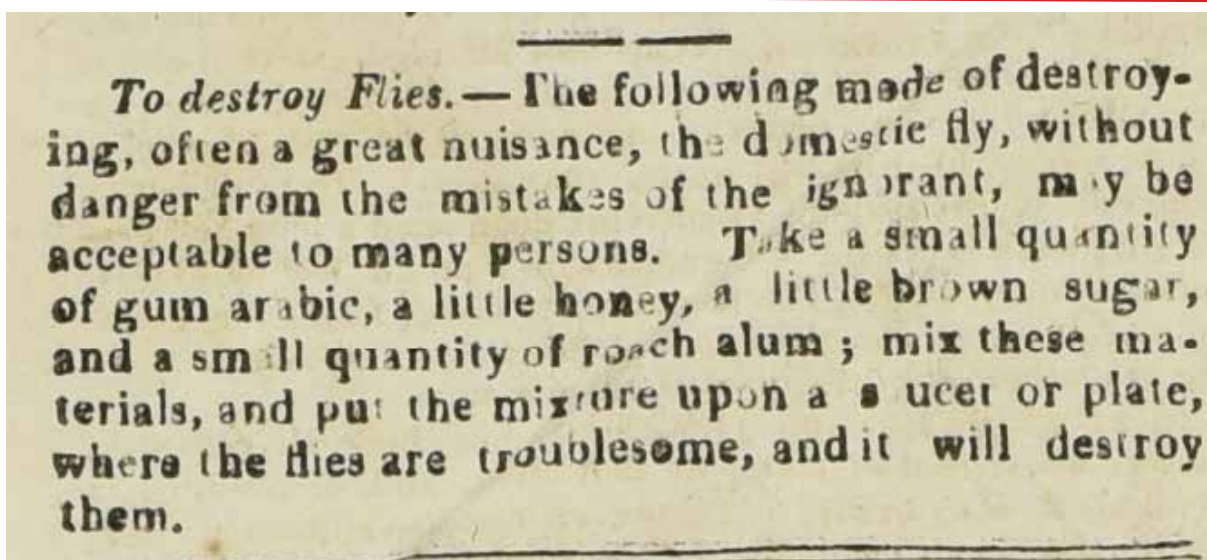
The schedule for our talks this year was decided at the meeting, and it is as follows:

- **5 September Orkney (Russell Fraser)**
- 7 November Argyll (Ian Miller)

Thanks to those members who have generously agreed to speak at our meetings this year.

Meetings start at 10:00 am, with the centre open by 9:30 am. All members are welcome, and the centre remains open after the meeting for research. We follow the GSQ COVID-Safe Plan to ensure everyone's safety at our meetings.

Contact Alistair Henderson at [scotgroup@gsq.org.au](mailto:scotgroup@gsq.org.au)



Handy hint for summer from the *Barbados Mercury, and Bridgetown Gazette* (January 8, 1822). In the tropical heat of Barbados I imagine the flies were a constant problem so this may just be a solution for Brisbane's summer. 😊

## GSQ in your local BCC library

GSQ presents topics at your local Brisbane City Council Libraries. These presentations are free but you need to book at the library. The Council pays GSQ a fee for presentations so tell your friends about them as Council monitors the popularity of the presentations and decides how many will be offered. Talks are free but booking is essential.

Library	Topic	When	Time	Booking
Nundah	<i>Australian Military Records</i>	Saturday September 18	10am to 12 noon	3407 8701
Holland Park	<i>Queensland Family History online</i>	Tuesday October 12	10:30am to 12:30pm	3403 7755
Banyo	<i>Introduction to Family History</i>	Saturday November 27	10:30am to 12:30pm	3403 2201



## GSQ ZOOM Meetings

**Research Support and Chat for GSQ Members Only****Put it in your Diaries****Monday 11am - 1pm – Weekly except 1st Monday****Thursday 11am - 1pm Weekly**

There are now two ZOOM Meetings a week, - Monday (except the 1st Monday of the month) and Thursday both at 11am – 1pm They are hosted by Ailsa Corlett and Helen Connor.

Many GSQ members are joining in when they can and enjoying the chats about their ancestors, resources available, and ideas gathered from everyone on just how to move forward to break down those brick walls.

Not all meetings are based on this format, as at times we also have some specific topics that we cover, eg. *Using Trove, the BDM records, Archives, Ancestry and FindMyPast etc etc.*

We all like it when everyone can share their screen to show off that special photo, or ideas on how they do something within a program. This way everyone learns or sees that special photo.

We all gained so much last year in not only knowledge and information about where to go and what to do on various websites, but we also made many friends whom we had not known previously. So, it was decided that regardless of what was happening with Covid19, we were going to continue the Zoom meetings this year as well. Check the Events Calendar, every Monday (except the 1st Monday of the month) and Thursday at 11am.

Everyone is welcome to join in, but you must send your name and email to Ailsa Corlett, so that we can then send you the link to join in. Email: [mtzoom@gsq.org.au](mailto:mtzoom@gsq.org.au)

**Research Support and Chat for GSQ Members Only****Put it in your Diaries****1st & 3rd Wednesdays of each month starting at 11am**

During the meeting on 4 August the topic was FamilySearch and members were asked to give me their thoughts on a draft PowerPoint which had begun life as a quick PowerPoint chat about the topic. We had a record 22 attending that meeting and overwhelmingly the response was a thumbs up. Normally Topic meetings begin with a short presentation followed by a discussion. Our brick wall on 18 August tackled Pauline's great-grandfather, a Norwegian who worked on vessels mainly ploughing the USA route from Europe. We managed to find several documents to add to Pauline's story about this interesting man who worked as a Translator on the vessels.

Any GSQ member who wishes to join the Zoom sessions can email Bobbie Edes, the Convenor on [wedmornzoom@gsq.org.au](mailto:wedmornzoom@gsq.org.au) to ask for the invite. We're a small friendly group which gives all the opportunity to learn more about genealogy in general and ways of researching. On the 3rd Wednesday we go into breakout rooms to help another member with their brick wall problem with everyone participating in a small group.

**Wednesday Nights at GSQ via Zoom****7 - 9 pm - 2nd & 4th Wednesday**

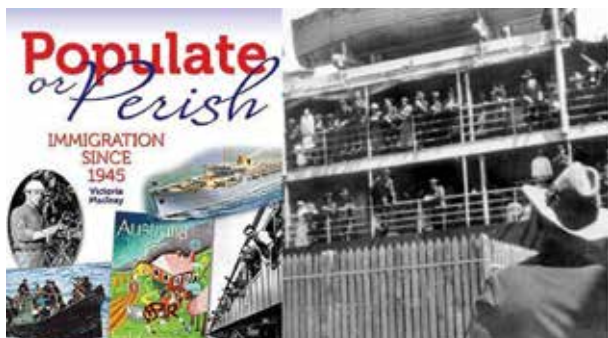
Second Wednesday of the month night Zoom is **8 September** Get your friends to come along. **Remember that the 2nd Wednesday nights a month are free for all to join as long as you apply to get the link.** Just send an email to [wedpmzoom@gsq.org.au](mailto:wedpmzoom@gsq.org.au) before the day so you can be sent the link. We have discussions about family history related topics and you can ask for help with your family history problems.

The **4th Wednesday** of the month @ 7pm is when Ailsa Corlett hosts a Zoom meeting introducing a Guest Speaker talking on specific topics.

On **Wednesday 22 September** Janice Cooper, will be talking about – *Petitions in Queensland Secretary's Correspondence*. In colonial Queensland, petitions were a very popular means for ordinary people to make known their objections and concerns.

These meetings are open to anyone to join in, email Ailsa at [wedpmzoom@gsq.org.au](mailto:wedpmzoom@gsq.org.au) to obtain the link.

## Upcoming GSQ Education Events



**Populate or perish: 20th century  
Immigration to Australia  
September 11 @ 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM  
Virtually via ZOOM  
Presenter: Pauline Williams**

To increase the number of workers available for defence and development, Prime Minister Joseph Chifley approved an urgent recruitment campaign in Europe after WW2 to attract migrants. The slogan 'populate or perish' was used to help the Australian population accept a large and more diverse intake of migrants. However, the Australian population had already been steadily increasing since the early years of the 20th century. This talk presents a broad overview of 20th-century immigration up to the late 1960s, highlighting some of the migration schemes, the source of migrants, their probable destination in Australia, and suggests where records may be located. [BOOK HERE](#)



**Getting the most from FamilySearch  
September 18 @ 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM  
Virtually via Zoom  
Presenter: Bobbie Edes**

FamilySearch is one of the most wonderful resources we can have to search our family history, and ALL FOR FREE  
GSQ is an Affiliate Library which means giving you access to viewing the digitized films and where copyright allows downloading that image for your own usage.  
There are many aspects of FamilySearch that everyone can utilize to help with growing their family history and proving that information.  
You can sign up for FamilySearch for Free and it is well worth doing so. [BOOK HERE](#)



**Preserve and share your stories  
and research in a blog  
October 2 @ 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM  
Virtually via ZOOM  
Presenter: Jill Ball**

In this session veteran geneablogger, Jill aka GeniAus, will discuss the benefits of blogging as a medium for writing, sharing and preserving your family stories. Jill will show some examples of beautiful blogs and provide practical tips for creating beautiful blog posts. [BOOK HERE](#)



**The Freemason and his Records  
October 9 @ 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM  
Virtually via ZOOM  
Presenter: Rob Hamilton**

In this presentation of "The Freemason and his Records" we briefly discuss the history which leads to the mandatory requirements for Freemasons to keep records of all members. We look at the types of records that he has left behind, including memorials, gravestones, photographs, minute books, and the original handwritten registers. As important as the records are, they have little value without the knowledge of "When, Where, and How" they may be obtained. [BOOK HERE](#)

# Sands of Time

LOCAL AND FAMILY HISTORY CONFERENCE  
21-23 OCTOBER 2022

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**NSW & ACT Association of Family History Societies**  
**Annual Conference 11 September 2021**  
**Vitually via YouTube**

The conference will be broadcast on YouTube. We will send you a link to access the conference.  
You still have time to register and buy raffle tickets:  
Individual registration continues at \$10 for the conference and Goody Bag  
Your last chance to [register for the conference](#) and buy raffle tickets is 3rd Sep at 9:00 pm



Professional Historians Association (Queensland) is hosting the national conference of Professional Historians Australia in 2021

***History Transmitted: Connect – Consider – Challenge  
Brisbane, Commissariat Store  
Saturday 18 – Sunday 19 September, 2021***

This year's conference features a diverse range of speakers, with a keynote by Professor Melanie Nolan, Director of the National Centre of Biography at the Australian National University and General Editor of the Australian Dictionary of Biography (ADB).

Details of the conference program and registration are available at <https://qldhistorians.org.au/2021-conference/>



***Tips and Resources for Researching  
Ashkenazic Jewish Names***

One of our genealogists provides tips on researching Ashkenazic Jewish names. Ashkenazic refers to a group of Jewish Europeans who migrated to Eastern Europe around the 12th century. Discover valuable resources and techniques to help you better understand your family's heritage.

Jewish genealogy can present some unique challenges, particularly when figuring out our ancestors' names. The following tips and resources can help you navigate the search process more confidently and help you break through some brick walls. [Full article available here.](#)

***Legacy Tree Onsite: Guide to French  
Genealogy & Family History Resources***

Legacy Tree Genealogists works with researchers from across the globe to access records for our clients. We asked one of our onsite researchers in France to share insights into the resources available for those researching French genealogy and family history.

France has a wonderful, rich heritage, not only regarding the nation's political and cultural history, but also in family history records. Thanks to careful archival preservation, the documents available are well documented and organized.

[Full article available here.](#)



**FREE Scottish Indexes Conference  
4 September 2021**

The next **Scottish Indexes Conference is scheduled for 4 September 2021**. Zoom registration is open: [ZOOM registration here.](#)

As always we are going to be joined by some amazing genealogists and experienced archivists. Margaret Fox, archivist at Traquair House and formerly an archivist at the National Records of Scotland, will take an in-depth look at kirk session records and cases that worked their way up to the Synod.

Genealogist *Michelle Leonard* of Genes & Genealogy, co-author of *'Tracing Your Ancestors Using DNA: A Guide for Family Historians'* will help us get to grips with DNA Painter.

*Tessa Spencer* will join us from the National Records of Scotland. Tessa will dip into the unique treasure trove of Scotland's national archives. She will look at this diverse and rich material, explaining what the records are and how you can access and use them, whether researching online or visiting in person.

*Audrey Collins*, genealogy specialist at the National Archives, will share some insights on tracing pre-First World War military and naval ancestors.



Finding Family in England and Wales Records  
Saturday 23 October 2021  
12:30PM — 6:30PM AEST  
Virtually via ZOOM

### Program

**The below program is subject to amendments with session times all in AEST**

12:30pm – 12:45pm	Introduction to the day and the Society's English & Welsh holdings
12:45pm – 1:30pm	Keynote Speaker – <i>Making Sense of the England &amp; Wales Census (pre-recorded)</i> Paul Milner
1:30pm - 1:45pm	BREAK
1:45pm - 2:30pm	<i>England &amp; Wales 101: an introduction to English &amp; Welsh research</i> - Cathie Sherwood
2:30pm - 3:15pm	<i>Blessings and Curses of Tracing Welsh Ancestry (pre-recorded)</i> – Darris G. Williams, FamilySearch
3:15pm - 3:30pm	BREAK
3:30pm - 4:00pm	<i>Treasures hiding in FindMyPast Records</i> – Myko Clelland, FindMyPast
4:00pm – 4:30pm	<i>Mapping your Ancestors</i> – Mark Bayley, TheGenealogist
4:30pm - 4:45pm	BREAK - Drawing of the raffle
4:45pm – 5:30pm	<i>The People, the Places, the Life Behind Doors: the world of the workhouse</i> - Kirsty Gray
5:30pm – 6:30pm	<i>English &amp; Welsh research panel: live Q &amp; A</i> <i>With</i> Kirsty Gray, Myko Clelland, Mark Bayley & Cathie Sherwood Host: Judy Lofthouse, GSQ Education Committee Closing Address: GSQ President



**Early-bird pricing until 30 September 2021:**

Members: \$50.00  
Non-members: \$65.00

**After 30 September 2021:**

Members: \$60.00  
Non-members: \$75.00

Details of the conference program and registration are available at

<https://www.gsq.org.au/event/finding-family-in-england-wales-records/>



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